

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant: WEI et al.

Applicant's Reference: LAM2P309

Application No: 10/027,947

Filed: December 20, 2001

For: APPARATUS FOR REMOVAL/REMAINING  
THICKNESS PROFILE MANIPULATION

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AMENDMENT

Honorable Commissioner for Patents  
Alexandria VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated July 29, 2003, the term to respond extends to December 29, 2003, with a two month extension. Please enter this amendment and remarks.

**Amendments to the claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begin on page 2 of this paper.

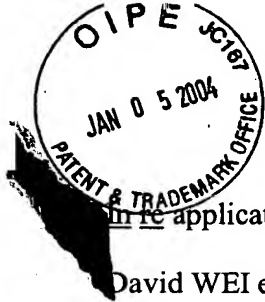
**Amendments to the Drawings** begin on page 8 of this paper and include an attached replacement sheet.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 9 of this paper.

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In re application of:

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Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

Applicants hereby transmit an Amendment in the above-identified application.

The fee has been calculated as shown below.

	Claims Remaining After Amendment	Highest Previously Paid For	Present Extra	SMALL ENTITY RATE FEE	OR	LARGE ENTITY RATE FEE
TOTAL CLAIMS	22 -	20	02	X09 = \$	OR	X18 = \$ 36.00
INDEP CLAIMS	05 -	03	02	X43 = \$	OR	X86 = \$172.00
			TOTAL	\$	OR	\$208.00



Applicants hereby petition for a **two-month** extension of time to respond to the Office Action.

Applicants believe that no additional extension of time is required; however, if it is determined that such an extension is required, Applicants hereby petition that such an extension be granted and authorize the Commissioner to charge the required fees for an extension of time under 37 CFR 1.136 to Deposit Account No. 50-0805 (Order No. LAM2P309).



Enclosed is our Check No. 10176 in the amount of \$628.00 to cover the additional claims/extension of time fees.



If any additional fees are required to facilitate filing the enclosed response, please charge such fees or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 50-0805 (Order No. LAM2P309).

Respectfully submitted,  
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